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FM AMEMBASSY SAN SALVADOR
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 8057

C O N F I D E N T I A L SAN SALVADOR 2382

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: ASEC
SUBJ: PROGRAM TO COMBAT TERRORISM

REF: STATE 119510

1. EMBASSY SAN SALVADOR HAS READ WITH INTEREST AND APPRECIATION A-4779 OF NOV. 29, 1977, AND STATE 119510 BOTH EVIDENCING THE DEPARTMENT'S CONCERN FOR OUR PERSONNEL WHO MAY BE AFFECTED BY TERRORISM TARGETTED AT OFFICIAL FACILITIES.

2. SECURITY CONDITIONS AND THE POTENTIAL FOR TERRORISM AT THIS POST ARE SUCH AS TO MAKE THIS A MATTER OF PARTICULAR CONCERN TO US. AS THE DEPARTMENT IS AWARE, SOME OF OUR PERSONNEL HAVE ALREADY BEEN INDIVIDUALLY TARGETTED. AND AS A MOST RECENT MANIFESTATION OF LOCAL INSECURITIES, THE EMBASSIES OF COSTA RICA, PANAMA, SWITZERLAND AND VENEZUELA WERE RECENTLY OCCUPIED BY POPULIST GROUPS WHICH STAGED A SIT-IN ON THEIR PREMISES FOR SOME NINE DAYS.

3. WE HAVE ALREADY IMPLEMENTED SOME OF THE DEPARTMENT'S RECOMMENDATIONS FOR ENHANCING THE SECURITY OF OUR WORKING PREMISES. THE VISIT OF A CAT TEAM AND THE VISIT OF ANOTHER TEAM SPECIALIZED IN HARDENING ACCESS TO PUBLIC AREAS DEVELOPED A COMBINED SET OF RECOMMENDATIONS WHICH
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THE EMBASSY HAS ACCEPTED BUT IMPLEMENTATION OF WHICH IS SEEMING-
LY BEING HELD UP IN WASHINGTON. WE ARE RECEPTIVE TO ANY
ADDITIONAL SUGGESTIONS WHICH MAY BE AVAILABLE.

4. AS A MATTER CLOSELY RELATED TO THIS PROBLEM, WE INVITE
THE DEPARTMENT'S ATTENTION TO SAN SALVADOR 2368 JUST SUB-
MITTED ON THE SUBJECT "SECURITY WATCH COMMITTEE MEETING--

POSSIBLE OCCUPATION OF EMBASSY PREMISES." INASMUCH AS
THIS IS A MATTER OF HIGHLY CONTEMPORARY CONCERN TO US, WE
WOULD APPRECIATE AS EXPEDITIOUS A REPLY AS POSSIBLE.

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